THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WASHINGTON

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Dear Mr. Dulles:

Your concern with the earth satellite plans is shared here and we have several exploratory studies going forward on the subject.

We have been interested in the international and diplomatic implications of the project and are currently seeking ways to develop our research studies without causing too great speculation among other governments as to the possible uses to which such a vehicle might be put.

I feel that in about two months, when certain plans with which you are familiar are clarified, this project will be ready for inter-agency discussion. At that time I suggest that our agencies confer on the aspects which you had in mind. Your help in evaluating these plans will be most welcome.

Sincerely yours,

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Honorable Allen Dulles Director, Central Intelligence Agency Washington 25, D. C.

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